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Letter dated 9 June 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Kuwait to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

On instructions from my Government, I refer to the letters dated 25 and 27 April 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to you conveying Iraq's allegations that Kuwaiti craft had intercepted Iraqi vessels in its territorial waters (S/2000/346 and S/2000/358). I have the honour to inform you that the allegations made by the Iraqi Government in these two letters are no more than a reiteration of the fabrications and counterfactual claims to which it has persisted in giving currency.

The relevant authorities in Kuwait categorically deny these contrived Iraqi allegations and stress the incredible nature of claims that are groundless and a distortion of the facts and that represent a habitual practice adopted by the Iraqi Government in order to create instability and tension in the area.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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